ORDER OF THE VENTURA COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER EXTENDING AUGUST 20, 2021 ORDER REQUIRING ALL INDIVIDUALS IN THE COUNTY TO WEAR FACE COVERINGS IN ALL INDOOR PUBLIC SETTINGS AND BUSINESSES FOR THE CONTROL OF COVID-19

DATE OF ORDER: September 17, 2021

Please read this Order carefully. On August 20, 2021, the Ventura County Health Officer, in alignment with state and federal authorities, issued an Order directing all individuals in the County, regardless of vaccination status, to wear face coverings in all indoor public settings and businesses, with limited exceptions, for the control of COVID-19. The Order was issued following a surge in COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations in Ventura County caused by the increased circulation of the highly transmissible Delta variant (SARS-CoV-2 B.1.617.2 – Delta variant).

The County Health Officer has determined that the current public health data and status of COVID-19 in the County reasonably support extending the August 20, 2021 Order. The Order is necessary to control and reduce the rate of community spread and to reinforce the need for safe interactions. Public Health continues to monitor transmission rates, hospitalizations, deaths and vaccination rates throughout the County and will continue to reevaluate the requirements going forward. COVID-19 data can be monitored at www.vcrecovers.org.

ACCORDINGLY, UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTIONS 101030, 101040, 101085, AND 120175, CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE SECTIONS 8630 AND 8665, AND TITLE 17 CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS SECTION 2501, THE VENTURA COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER ("HEALTH OFFICER") HEREBY ORDERS:

Effective Date and Time. The August 20, 2021 Order of the Ventura County Health Officer "Directing All Individuals in the County to Wear Face Coverings in All Indoor Public Settings and Businesses for the Control of COVID-19," effective and operative at 11:59 p.m. on August 20, 2021, will continue to be in effect until 11:59 p.m. on October 19, 2021, or until it is extended, rescinded, superseded or amended in writing by the Health Officer.

Dated: September 17, 2021

IT IS SO ORDERED:

Robert Levin, M.D.

Ventura County Health Officer

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